

## Indian Health Service Injury Prevention Cooperative Agreements Program

A program to build the capacity of American Indian/Alaska Native Tribes/Tribal Organizations to plan, implement, and evaluate injury prevention interventions

<http://www.ihs.gov/medicalprograms/injuryprevention/>



## 2000–2005 Project Profile

### Colorado River Indian Tribes

The Colorado River Indian Tribes (CRIT) are located on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, most of which is in La Paz County in western Arizona along the Colorado River. Part of the Reservation is also in California. The reservation consists of 280,000 acres of land. Members of the Mohave, Chemehuevi, Hopi, and Navajo Nations are members of CRIT, consisting of over 8,000 members (1990 census). Agriculture and tourism are the primary industries on the reservation. Website: <http://critonline.com/>

### Injury Topics addressed by 2000-2005 Program (in order of intensity):

Seatbelt Safety  
Child Passenger Safety  
Alcohol-related Motor Vehicle Crash Safety  
Fall Prevention  
Roadway Safety  
Fire/Burn Safety  
Bike Safety  
Intimate Partner Violence Prevention

### Injury Prevention Program Staff



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Tenure: 5/1/2004 – 8/30/2005

Training: IHS Levels I- II IP Training Courses, Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Technician, Epi Info, Program Development Fellowship



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### Injury Prevention Program Collaborating Partners:

Police Department ● Housing ● Local Businesses ● Schools ● Coalition ● Public Health Nursing ● Emergency Medical Services ● Head Start ● Dept. of Public Safety ● Tribal Officials ● Community Health Representatives ● Bureau of Indian Affairs ● Diabetes Program ● Indian Health Service ● County and State agencies

### Key IP Program Successes/Accomplishments:

#### Program Activities

- Integrated components for and saw passage of new traffic safety code and worked with law enforcement to stress importance of strict ordinance enforcement.
- Distributed 400+ child safety seats and conducted check points.
- Installed 80+ smoke detectors in homes.
- Distributed 120+ bicycle helmets at bicycle rodeo events.
- Fostered collaboration with other programs, particularly the police and La Paz county health departments.
- Worked with La Paz County to establish a clearer 911 numbering system.
- Developed and coordinated a local Injury Prevention Advisory Coalition.
- Held a Level I Injury Prevention course in Parker, AZ and hosted the IHS IP Fellowship Field Course.
- Sponsored a local four-day CPS technician training and conducted CPS training at the Head Start Center.



#### Additional Funding/Support Obtained to Support IP

- Obtained funding for car seats from: IHS Phoenix Area mini-grant, United Way/ Boost America, BIA Indian Highway Safety, and Intertribal Council of Arizona.
- IHS Sleep Safe Program.